CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes agricultural, private household, self-employed and unpaid family workers)

	Jan. 1988(P)	Dec. 1987(R)	Jan. 1987(R)	% Change Jan. '88 over Dec. '87	% Change Jan. '88 over Jan. '87
Total Nonag. Employment....	1,640,300*	1,674,500*	1,603,500*	- 2.0	+ 2.3
Manufacturing.....	382,300*	383,300*	387,000*	- 0.3	- 1.2
Durable.....	285,800*	286,600*	289,900*	- 0.3	- 1.4
Lumber & Furniture.....	7,500	7,300	7,500	+ 2.7	0.0
Primary Metals.....	13,400	13,500	13,000	- 0.7	+ 3.1
Fabricated Metals.....	43,100*	43,300*	44,200*	- 0.5	- 2.5
Machinery exc. Elec.....	46,800*	47,100*	47,600*	- 0.6	- 1.7
Electrical Equipment....	50,400	50,500	50,900	- 0.2	- 1.0
Transportation Equipment	86,800	86,800	88,100	0.0	- 1.5
Instruments & Clocks....	24,000	24,200	24,800*	- 0.8	- 3.2
Other Durable.....	13,800	13,900	13,800	- 0.7	0.0
Nondurable.....	96,500	96,700	97,100	- 0.2	- 0.6
Food.....	12,500	12,800	12,000	- 2.3	+ 4.2
Textiles.....	4,100	3,900	4,400	+ 5.1	- 6.8
Apparel.....	7,200	7,300	7,900	- 1.4	- 8.9
Paper.....	9,400	9,400	9,300	0.0	+ 1.1
Printing & Publishing...	27,800	27,400	27,700	+ 1.5	+ 0.4
Chemicals.....	21,700	22,100	21,800	- 1.8	- 0.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics.	12,200	12,200	12,400	0.0	- 1.6
Other Nondurable.....	1,600	1,600	1,600	0.0	0.0
Nonmanufacturing.....	1,258,000	1,291,200	1,216,500	- 2.6	+ 3.4
Construction & Mining....	74,300	81,100	70,300	- 8.4	+ 5.7
Transportation.....	40,200	41,000	38,000	- 2.0	+ 5.8
Motor Freight & Warehsg.	16,200	16,600	15,000	- 2.4	+ 8.0
Other Transportation....	24,000	24,400	23,000	- 1.6	+ 4.3
Communications.....	19,100	19,700	19,300	- 3.0	- 1.0
Utilities.....	13,200	13,200	12,900	0.0	+ 2.3
Trade.....	372,700	386,200	363,500	- 3.5	+ 2.5
Wholesale.....	89,300	89,600	85,700	- 0.3	+ 4.2
Retail.....	283,400	296,600	277,800	- 4.5	+ 2.0
General Merchandise....	37,500	40,500	36,900	- 7.4	+ 1.6
Food Stores.....	47,000	48,900	49,200	- 3.9	- 4.5
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta...	32,500	32,800	31,300	- 0.9	+ 3.8
Restaurants.....	73,700	79,700	73,000	- 7.5	+ 1.0
Other Retail Trade.....	92,700	94,700	87,400	- 2.1	+ 6.1
Finance, Ins. &..R.E.....	151,000	150,400	146,500	+ 0.4	+ 3.1
Banking.....	34,800	34,200	33,400	+ 1.8	+ 4.2
Insurance.....	79,800	79,900	78,700	- 0.1	+ 1.4
Real Estate.....	14,300	14,900	14,000	- 4.0	+ 2.1
Other Fin.,Ins. & R.E...	22,100	21,400	20,400	+ 3.3	+ 8.3
Services.....	385,100	391,800	369,100	- 1.7	+ 4.3
Hotels.....	10,900	11,400	10,300	- 4.4	+ 5.8
Personal Services.....	19,200	18,900	18,200	+ 1.6	+ 5.5
Business Services.....	87,100	88,700	83,400	+ 1.8	+ 4.4
Health Services.....	118,100	118,600	114,800	- 0.4	+ 2.9
Law & Professional.....	35,400	34,900	32,500	+ 1.4	+ 8.9
Educational Services....	33,400	33,800	32,700	- 1.2	+ 2.1
Other Services.....	81,000	85,500	77,200	- 5.3	+ 4.9
Government.....	202,400	207,800	196,900	- 2.6	+ 2.8
Federal.....	25,500	25,600	24,300	- 0.4	+ 4.9
State & Local.....	176,900	182,200	172,600	- 2.9	+ 2.5

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

(R) Revised estimate

(P) Preliminary estimate

EARNINGS AND HOURS

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Jan. 1988	Dec. 1987(R)	Jan. 1987	Jan. 1988	Dec. 1987	Jan. 1987	Jan. 1988	Dec. 1987	Jan. 1987
MANUFACTURING (Production and Related Workers)	$451.34	$456.04	$430.92	42.3	42.7	42.0	$10.67	$10.68	$10.26
DURABLE MANUFACTURING.....	465.48	470.67	441.61	43.1	43.5	42.3	10.80	10.82	10.44
Lumber & Furniture.....	356.29	361.12	329.62	41.0	41.7	40.1	8.69	8.66	8.22
Primary Metals.....	499.26	508.40	483.12	46.4	46.9	44.9	10.76	10.84	10.76
Fabricated Metals.....	435.60	441.81	409.34	43.3	43.7	42.2	10.06	10.11	9.70
Machinery.....	502.12	490.84	485.50	45.4	44.3	44.5	11.06	11.08	10.91
Electrical Equipment.....	382.81	399.11	353.28	41.7	43.1	40.1	9.18	9.26	8.81
Transportation Equipment.....	538.44	546.96	522.59	42.0	42.4	42.8	12.82	12.90	12.21
Instruments and Clocks.....	435.91	442.35	409.78	44.3	45.0	41.9	9.84	9.83	9.78
Other Durable Mfg.....	408.96	402.14	390.82	42.6	42.6	41.4	9.60	9.44	9.44
NONDURABLE MANUFACTURING.....	412.85	415.13	398.11	40.2	40.5	41.0	10.27	10.25	9.71
Food.....	390.48	397.41	372.56	38.7	39.0	37.9	10.09	10.19	9.83
Textiles.....	341.47	342.37	315.61	40.7	41.6	39.8	8.39	8.23	7.93
Apparel.....	242.80	234.43	242.14	36.9	35.9	37.6	6.58	6.53	6.44
Paper.....	482.27	499.82	487.92	41.9	43.2	45.6	11.51	11.57	10.70
Printing and Publishing.....	401.02	421.44	377.86	37.2	38.7	37.9	10.78	10.89	9.97
Chemicals.....	547.01	520.58	533.63	44.8	43.6	45.3	12.21	11.94	11.78
Rubber and Misc. Plastics....	371.78	369.33	349.44	40.9	40.9	42.0	9.09	9.03	8.32
Other Nondurable Mfg.....	295.24	316.85	301.39	35.4	36.8	36.8	8.34	8.61	8.19
CONSTRUCTION.....	620.94	646.02	595.58	39.5	41.2	39.6	15.72	15.68	15.04

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY STATISTICAL AREA

	Jan. Number	1988 Ratio to Labor Force	Dec. Number	1987(R) Ratio to Labor Force	Jan. Number	1987(R) Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals* Actual...	63,800	3.7	55,600	3.1	68,700	4.0
Seasonally Adjusted...		(3.3)		(3.2)		(3.5)
Statistical Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Bridgeport.....	10,300	4.5	8,100	3.5	1,400	5.0
Bristol.....	2,000	5.4	1,500	3.9	2,000	5.2
Danbury.....	3,800	3.5	3,500	3.1	3,800	3.4
Danielson.....	2,000	5.9	1,500	4.3	2,100	6.2
Hartford.....	14,800	3.5	13,900	3.2	4,900	3.5
Middletown.....	1,800	3.4	1,500	2.8	1,600	3.1
Lower River.....	500	3.1	400	2.4	600	3.2
New Britain.....	3,000	4.2	2,600	3.5	3,500	4.8
New Haven.....	9,300	3.5	8,200	3.0	9,600	3.6
New London/Norwich...	4,700	3.6	4,200	3.1	5,500	4.3
Norwalk.....	2,200	2.7	1,900	2.4	2,500	3.1
Stamford.....	2,400	2.1	2,500	2.1	3,100	2.6
Torrington.....	1,800	3.9	1,800	3.6	2,100	4.3
Waterbury.....	5,000	4.9	3,900	3.8	5,700	5.5
Willimantic.....	800	3.0	600	2.0	800	3.1
Civilian U.S. Total-Actual.....	7,603,000	6.3	6,526,000	5.4	8,620,000	7.3
Seasonally Adjusted....		(5.8)		(5.8)		(6.7)

* The two Rhode Island towns of Hopkinton and Westerly are part of the New London/Norwich Statistical Area and are therefore included in the area estimates. As a result, the sum of the area totals will not agree with the State totals.

(R) Revised

U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS
Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Jan. '88	Dec. '87	Jan. '87
All Items.....	346.7	345.7	333.1
Percent Change From.....	XXX	+ 0.3	+ 4.1

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Statistical Area	Jan.'88	Dec.'87(R)	Jan.'87(R)	Percent Change to January 1988 from: Dec.'87	Jan.'87
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Empl.	197,630	202,290	189,910	- 2.3	+ 4.1
Manufacturing	57,980	58,590	57,240	- 1.0	+ 1.3
Nonmanufacturing	139,650	143,700	132,670	- 2.8	+ 5.3
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Empl.	24,800	25,940	24,650	- 4.4	+ 0.6
Manufacturing	7,300	7,670	8,340	- 4.8	- 12.5
Nonmanufacturing	17,500	18,270	16,310	- 4.2	+ 7.3
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Empl.	81,150	83,170	79,010	- 2.4	+ 2.7
Manufacturing	24,070	23,850	24,670	+ 0.9	- 2.4
Nonmanufacturing	57,080	59,320	54,340	- 3.8	+ 5.0
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Empl.	22,800*	23,540*	22,520	- 3.1	+ 1.2
Manufacturing	9,060*	9,150*	9,130	- 1.0	- 0.8
Nonmanufacturing	13,740	14,390	13,390	- 4.5	+ 2.6
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Empl.	481,870*	487,540*	463,950*	- 1.2	+ 3.9
Manufacturing	93,850*	93,780*	90,920*	+ 0.1	+ 3.2
Nonmanufacturing	388,020	393,760	373,030*	- 1.5	+ 4.0
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Empl.	46,160	47,220	44,640	- 2.2	+ 3.4
Manufacturing	9,910	9,870	10,800	+ 0.4	- 8.2
Nonmanufacturing	36,250	37,350	33,840	- 2.9	+ 7.1
LOWER RIVER					
Total Nonag. Empl.	14,400	14,640	14,180	- 1.6	+ 1.6
Manufacturing	4,580	4,600	4,870	- 0.4	- 6.0
Nonmanufacturing	9,820	10,040	9,310	- 2.2	+ 5.5
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Empl.	65,510	67,190	63,990	- 2.5	+ 2.4
Manufacturing	20,870	20,900	21,490	- 0.1	- 2.9
Nonmanufacturing	44,640	46,290	42,500	- 3.6	+ 5.0
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Empl.	250,290	256,080	243,450*	- 2.3	+ 2.8
Manufacturing	46,530	46,520	46,430*	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Nonmanufacturing	203,760	209,560	197,020*	- 2.8	+ 3.4
NEW LONDON-NORWICH**					
Total Nonag. Empl.	117,270	120,050	113,990	- 2.3	+ 2.9
Manufacturing	34,210	34,120	35,170	+ 0.3	- 2.7
Nonmanufacturing	83,060	85,930	78,820	- 3.3	+ 5.4
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Empl.	73,190	74,940	71,550	- 2.3	+ 2.3
Manufacturing	19,850	20,030	20,220	- 0.9	- 1.8
Nonmanufacturing	53,340	54,910	51,330	- 2.9	+ 3.9
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Empl.	127,170	129,700	122,600	- 2.0	+ 3.7
Manufacturing	23,930	23,730	24,140	+ 0.8	- 0.9
Nonmanufacturing	103,240	105,970	98,460	- 2.6	+ 4.9

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK (Continued)

Statistical Area	Jan.'88	Dec.'87(R)	Jan.'87(R)	Percent Change to January 1988 from: Dec.'87	Jan.'87
TORRINGTON					
Total Nonag. Empl.	32,390	33,390	32,390	- 3.0	0.0
Manufacturing	7,940	8,180	7,790	- 2.9	+ 1.9
Nonmanufacturing	24,450	25,210	24,600	- 3.0	- 0.6
WATERBURY					
Total Nonag. Empl.	86,630	89,170	85,020	- 2.9	+ 1.9
Manufacturing	23,650	23,950	25,320	- 1.3	- 6.6
Nonmanufacturing	62,980	65,220	59,700	- 3.4	+ 5.5
WILLIMANTIC					
Total Nonag. Empl.	20,640	23,330	20,270	- 11.5	+ 1.8
Manufacturing	1,970	2,050	2,020	- 3.9	- 2.5
Nonmanufacturing	18,670	21,280	18,250	- 12.3	+ 2.3

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

** The two Rhode Island towns of Hopkinton and Westerly are a part of the New London-Norwich Statistical Area and are therefore included in the estimates.

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Note: Area employment estimates may not coincide with statewide totals in other publications because they are made independently.

EARNINGS AND HOURS BY STATISTICAL AREA MANUFACTURING, PRODUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND RELATED WORKERS

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Jan. 1988	Dec. 1987	Jan. 1987	Jan. 1988	Dec. 1987	Jan. 1987	Jan. 1988	Dec. 1987	Jan. 1987
Bridgeport	$479.25	$472.76	$443.27	42.6	42.4	41.7	$11.25	$11.15	$10.63
Hartford	470.42	473.70	452.19	43.0	43.3	42.7	10.94	10.94	10.59
New Britain	458.48	485.89	459.24	44.0	44.7	43.0	10.42	10.87	10.68
New Haven	405.78	420.04	413.00	39.9	40.9	41.3	10.17	10.27	10.00
Stamford	472.83	482.31	447.35	39.7	41.4	39.8	11.91	11.65	11.24
Waterbury	403.04	399.96	388.08	44.0	44.0	44.2	9.16	9.09	8.78

Note: The averages shown above are influenced by the occupational composition of the area and do not necessarily represent differences between areas in pay for the same occupations. While the statistical areas generally take their names from the major cities, the averages are those for all the towns within the area.

CONNECTICUT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	Employment Nonag. (Thous.)		Av. Weekly Initial Claims		Rate Total Unemployment		Personal Income Millions
	Actual(R)	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual(R)	Seas. Adj.(R)	Seasonally Adj.
1987							
Jan....	1603.5	1626.0	5938	3740	4.0	3.5	$5001.4
Feb....	1597.0	1623.6	3593	4081	4.0	3.5	5035.0
Mar....	1617.4	1633.4	2668	3547	3.8	3.5	5044.3
Apr....	1634.7	1635.1	2592	3199	3.2	3.3	5043.2
May ...	1644.6	1637.0	2455	3283	3.2	3.4	5063.6
Jun ...	1663.3	1642.6	2861	3066	3.3	3.3	5087.8
Jul ...	1637.6	1644.0	4588	3123	3.3	3.2	5091.8
Aug....	1631.6	1644.7	2739	2970	3.3	3.3	5130.8
Sep....	1647.4	1643.9	1789	2959	2.9	3.2	5144.9
Oct....	1655.3	1645.5	1952	2923	2.9	3.3	5172.9
Nov....	1665.3	1647.9	2318	2800	2.9	3.2	5212.1
Dec ...	1674.5	1650.4	5125	2901	3.1	3.2	5240.3(R)
1988							
Jan....	1640.3(P)	1663.6(P)	5713	3598	3.7	3.3	5266.4(P)
Feb....							
Mar....							
Apr....							
May....							
Jun....							
Jul....							
Aug....							
Sep....							
Oct....							
Nov....							
Dec....							

	New Auto Registrations		Average Work-Week Hours		Mfg. Output (1967=100)	
	Actual	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual(R)	Seas. Adj.(R)	Actual	Seas. Adj.(R)
1987						
Jan....	13430	14561	42.0	42.0	133.8	128.4
Feb....	12036	15099	42.0	42.0	132.3	127.9
Mar....	12797	13252	42.1	42.0	132.1	127.0
Apr....	14894	13430	41.9	42.0	130.8	126.4
May....	11027	11098	42.2	42.4	132.0	128.2
Jun....	11862	11754	42.3	42.3	129.1	125.3
Jul....	15214	15198	42.0	42.3	105.5	123.4
Aug....	12547	11645	41.6	42.3	108.5	124.7
Sep....	17917	15913	42.0	42.1	127.7	124.5
Oct.	12587	13485	42.1	42.1	130.4	126.0
Nov....	14508	13907	42.0	41.6	130.4	124.4
Dec....	20320	19862	42.7	42.1	121.6	127.7
1988						
Jan....	11903	12910	42.3	42.3	130.7	125.4
Feb....						
Mar....						
Apr....						
May....						
Jun....						
Jul....						
Aug....						
Sep....						
Oct....						
Nov....						
Dec....						

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CONNECTICUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT FINANCIAL DATA

	Average Weekly Insured Unemployed	Unemployment Benefits Paid	Employer Contributions Collected
1973	36,314	$117,610,000	$114,163,000
1974	49,255	163,258,000	124,859,000
1975	83,971	298,345,000	140,940,000
1976	67,864	238,013,000	164,922,000
1977	53,699	193,150,000	177,719,000
1978	37,220	138,351,000	189,892,000
1979	30,876	114,926,000	181,376,000
1980	37,463	163,644,000	174,402,000
1981	36,507	173,725,000	167,840,000
1982	47,952	262,962,000	183,733,000
1983	40,251	232,255,000	201,578,000
1984	25,428	154,180,000	238,511,000
1985	26,449	177,887,000	249,065,000
1986	24,950	175,584,000	238,705,000
1987	20,619	158,278,000	211,387,000
Jan'87	33,123	$18,946,000	$ 5,870,000
Feb	30,100	18,498,000	18,865,000
Mar	26,818	19,687,000	1,020,000
Apr	21,177	13,323,000	27,114,000
May	18,023	11,309,000	81,325,000
Jun	17,311	11,480,000	1,096,000
Jul	20,296	12,543,000	19,971,000
Aug	20,297	12,346,000	27,660,000
Sep	15,393	9,787,000	825,000
Oct	13,773	8,748,000	8,131,000
Nov	13,968	9,606,000	18,945,000
Dec	17,145	12,005,000	565,000
Jan'88	29,855	18,603,000	4,976,000
Feb			
Mar			
Apr			
May			
Jun			
Jul			
Aug			
Sep			
Oct			
Nov			
Dec			

*Interest bearing

Federal Loans

1972	31,800,000
1973	21,700,000
1974	8,500,000
1975	203,000,000
1976	137,000,000
1977	75,000,000
1978	37,000,000
1983	63,806,000*

Direct Loan Repayments

1976	$ 26,000,000
1977	27,300,000
1978	37,300,000
1979	39,600,000
1984	30,876,000
1985	32,930,000
1986	40,187,000

Loan Repayments Via Employer Tax Credit Reduction

1975	$ 12,906,000
1981	46,537,000
1982	49,496,000
1983	53,975,000
1984	57,349,000
1985	61,138,000
1986	64,357,000

Total Outstanding Loans (1/31/88)

$ 0

Ct. UC Trust Fund Reserve - (1/31/88)

$245.6 million

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March 1988

Seasonal cutbacks, primarily in trade and construction, resulted in lower employment during February when the unemployment rate also dropped, it is reported by State Labor Commissioner P. Joseph Peraro.

Employment, Wages and Hours: While non-farm employment decreased by 2,000 between January and February to 1,642,500, there was an annual gain of 45,500 jobs from 1987 (page 2). Although temporary reductions over the month in manufacturing, retail trade and construction contributed to the decline, non-manufacturing jobs increased (4.1%) from last year. Employment was above 1987 levels in all 15 labor market areas (pages 5 & 6).

Earnings of factory production workers averaged $445.95 weekly at $10.72 an hour (page 3), down from January because of less overtime for a shorter 41.6-hour week compared with 42.3. February's weekly and hourly wages were higher than last year by $14.61 and 45-cents, respectively. Straight-time earnings of $10.29 hourly and $411.60 a week were up slightly from January and 4.7 percent above February 1987 when wages for a 40-hour week were $9.83 hourly and $393.20 weekly. Construction workers received the highest weekly wage at an average of $623.31, followed by chemicals, $534.36; transportation equipment, $524.69, and machinery, $504.22.

Unemployment: Unemployment in Connecticut decreased by 2,900 to 60,900 or 3.6 percent (3.7 percent in January) and the seasonally adjusted rate was unchanged at 3.3 percent (page 4). Last year there were an estimated 68,500 jobless for a 4 percent actual and 3.6 percent seasonally adjusted rate. The state's unemployment situation remained substantially under February's national rates of 6.2 percent, seasonally adjusted to 5.7. Nine labor market areas had lower unemployment, increases in four and there was no change in the remaining two. The unemployment estimate includes people receiving compensation, others whose benefits expired or they were ineligible and those entering or reentering the labor force.

Other Factors: In addition to lower unemployment, other economic indicators improved in February (page 7). Personal income of state residents was at an all-time high of more than $5-billion, 312-million, first-time (initial) claims for unemployment benefits were down and new automobile registrations increased.

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CONNECTICUT NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

(Excludes agricultural, private household, self-employed and unpaid family workers)

	Feb. 1988(P)	Jan. 1988(R)	Feb. 1987(R)	% Change Feb. '88 over Jan. '88	% Change Feb. '88 over Feb. '87
Total Nonag. Employment....	1,642,500*	1,644,500*	1,597,000*	- 0.1	+ 2.8
Manufacturing.....	381,000*	382,100*	385,400*	- 0.3	- 1.1
Durable.....	284,200*	285,500*	288,300*	- 0.5	- 1.4
Lumber & Furniture.....	7,500	7,500	7,500	0.0	0.0
Primary Metals.....	13,300	13,400	13,100	- 0.7	+ 1.5
Fabricated Metals.....	43,100*	43,100*	44,000*	0.0	- 2.0
Machinery exc. Elec.....	46,800	46,900*	47,300*	- 0.2	- 1.1
Electrical Equipment....	50,000	50,200	50,500	- 0.4	- 1.0
Transportation Equipment	85,700	86,600	87,400	- 1.0	- 1.9
Instruments & Clocks....	23,800	24,000	24,800	- 0.8	- 4.0
Other Durable.....	14,000	13,800	13,700	+ 1.4	+ 2.2
Nondurable.....	96,800	96,600	97,100	+ 0.2	- 0.3
Food.....	12,700	12,500	12,100	+ 1.6	+ 5.0
Textiles.....	4,100	4,100	4,400	0.0	- 6.8
Apparel.....	7,100	7,200	7,800	- 1.4	- 9.0
Paper.....	9,500	9,500	9,300	0.0	+ 2.1
Printing & Publishing...	27,600	27,600	27,700	0.0	- 0.4
Chemicals.....	21,900	21,900	21,700	0.0	- 0.9
Rubber & Misc. Plastics.	12,300	12,200	12,500	+ 0.8	- 1.6
Other Nondurable.....	1,600	1,600	1,600	0.0	0.0
Nonmanufacturing.....	1,261,500	1,262,400	1,211,600	- 0.1	+ 4.1
Construction & Mining....	72,600	74,800	67,300	- 2.9	+ 7.9
Transportation.....	40,900	40,900	37,900	0.0	+ 7.9
Motor Freight & Warehsg.	16,800	16,700	15,300	+ 0.6	+ 9.8
Other Transportation....	24,100	24,200	22,600	- 0.4	+ 6.6
Communications.....	19,100	19,200	19,400	- 0.5	- 1.5
Utilities.....	13,100	13,200	12,800	- 0.8	+ 2.3
Trade.....	369,100	373,800	356,700	- 1.3	+ 3.5
Wholesale.....	89,200	89,300	85,600	- 0.1	+ 4.2
Retail.....	279,900	284,500	271,100	- 1.6	+ 3.2
General Merchandise....	36,200	38,600	33,900	- 6.2	+ 6.8
Food Stores.....	46,600	47,000	48,000	- 0.9	- 2.9
Auto Dlrs. & Gas Sta...	32,500	32,500	31,200	0.0	+ 4.2
Restaurants.....	73,800	73,700	73,200	+ 0.1	+ 0.8
Other Retail Trade.....	90,800	92,700	84,800	- 2.0	+ 7.1
Finance, Ins. &..R.E.....	150,200	150,700	146,400	- 0.3	+ 2.6
Banking.....	34,700	34,700	33,300	0.0	+ 4.2
Insurance.....	79,400	79,800	78,900	- 0.5	+ 0.6
Real Estate.....	14,200	14,300	13,800	- 0.7	+ 2.9
Other Fin.,Ins. & R.E...	21,900	21,900	20,400	0.0	+ 7.4
Services.....	389,800	387,400	369,500	+ 0.6	+ 5.5
Hotels.....	10,700	10,600	10,400	+ 0.9	+ 2.9
Personal Services.....	19,300	19,200	18,100	+ 0.5	+ 6.6
Business Services.....	87,400	87,000	83,300	+ 0.5	+ 4.9
Health Services.....	119,600	119,800	114,200	- 0.2	+ 4.7
Law & Professional.....	35,500	35,400	32,500	+ 0.3	+ 9.2
Educational Services....	34,400	33,400	33,700	+ 3.0	+ 2.1
Other Services.....	82,900	82,000	77,300	+ 1.1	+ 7.2
Government.....	206,700	202,400	201,600	+ 2.1	+ 2.5
Federal.....	25,600	25,500	24,500	+ 0.4	+ 4.5
State & Local.....	181,100	176,900	177,100	+ 2.4	+ 2.3

* Excludes workers idled due to labor-management disputes.

(R) Revised estimate

(P) Preliminary estimate

EARNINGS AND HOURS

Manufacturing Production and Related Workers and On-Site Construction Workers

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Feb. 1988	Jan. 1988	Feb. 1987(R)	Feb. 1988	Jan. 1988	Feb. 1987(R)	Feb. 1988	Jan. 1988	Feb. 1987(R)
MANUFACTURING (Production and Related Workers)	$445.95	$451.34	$431.34	41.6	42.3	42.0	$10.72	$10.67	$10.27
DURABLE MANUFACTURING.....	458.96	465.48	443.70	42.3	43.1	42.5	10.85	10.80	10.44
Lumber & Furniture.....	346.98	356.29	334.55	40.3	41.0	40.7	8.61	8.69	8.22
Primary Metals.....	492.35	499.26	485.00	45.8	46.4	45.2	10.75	10.76	10.73
Fabricated Metals.....	439.62	435.60	411.70	43.1	43.3	42.4	10.20	10.06	9.71
Machinery.....	504.22	502.12	488.96	44.7	45.4	44.9	11.28	11.06	10.89
Electrical Equipment.....	369.04	382.81	357.35	40.2	41.7	40.7	9.18	9.18	8.78
Transportation Equipment.....	524.69	538.44	521.10	40.8	42.0	42.4	12.86	12.82	12.29
Instruments and Clocks.....	443.22	435.91	413.53	44.5	44.3	42.5	9.96	9.84	9.73
Other Durable Mfg.....	389.63	408.96	380.14	41.1	42.6	40.7	9.48	9.60	9.34
NONDURABLE MANUFACTURING.....	408.91	412.85	398.62	39.7	40.2	40.8	10.30	10.27	9.77
Food.....	397.79	390.48	370.39	39.7	38.7	37.3	10.02	10.09	9.93
Textiles.....	332.99	341.47	317.99	39.5	40.7	40.1	8.43	8.39	7.93
Apparel.....	234.25	242.80	248.52	35.6	36.9	38.0	6.58	6.58	6.54
Paper.....	461.30	482.27	466.76	40.5	41.9	43.5	11.39	11.51	10.73
Printing and Publishing.....	414.32	401.02	390.33	37.7	37.2	38.8	10.99	10.78	10.06
Chemicals.....	534.36	547.01	521.40	43.8	44.8	44.0	12.20	12.21	11.85
Rubber and Misc. Plastics....	361.49	371.78	355.32	39.9	40.9	42.3	9.06	9.09	8.40
Other Nondurable Mfg.....	272.94	295.24	312.32	32.3	35.4	36.7	8.45	8.34	8.51
CONSTRUCTION.....	623.31	620.94	584.22	39.5	39.5	39.0	15.78	15.72	14.98

UNEMPLOYMENT IN CONNECTICUT BY STATISTICAL AREA

	Feb. 1988 Number	Feb. 1988 Ratio to Labor Force	Jan. 1988(R) Number	Jan. 1988(R) Ratio to Labor Force	Feb. 1987(R) Number	Feb. 1987(R) Ratio to Labor Force
State Totals* Actual...	60,900	3.6	63,800	3.7	68,500	4.0
Seasonally Adjusted...		(3.3)		(3.3)		(3.6)
Statistical Areas (Not Seasonally Adjusted)						
Bridgeport.....	9,900	4.4	10,200	4.5	11,500	5.1
Bristol.....	1,700	4.8	2,000	5.4	1,900	5.0
Danbury.....	3,600	3.4	3,800	3.4	3,900	3.6
Danielson.....	2,000	6.0	2,000	5.9	2,100	6.3
Hartford.....	13.400	3.2	14,700	3.5	14,800	3.5
Middletown.....	1,600	3.1	1,700	3.4	1,700	3.3
Lower River.....	500	3.2	500	3.1	500	3.0
New Britain.....	2,900	4.0	3,000	4.2	3,500	4.7
New Haven.....	8,900	3.4	9,200	3.5	9,700	3.7
New London/Norwich...	5,000	3.9	4,600	3.6	5,300	4.1
Norwalk.....	2,000	2.6	2,200	2.7	2,300	2.8
Stamford.....	2,700	2.4	2,700	2.3	3,100	2.7
Torrington.....	1,800	3.9	1,800	3.9	2,100	4.4
Waterbury.....	4,800	4.8	4,900	4.9	5,800	5.7
Willimantic.....	700	2.6	800	3.0	900	3.1
Civilian U.S. Total-Actual.....	7,482,000	6.2	7,603,000	6.3	8,503,000	7.2
Seasonally Adjusted....		(5.7)		(5.8)		(6.6)

* The two Rhode Island towns of Hopkinton and Westerly are part of the New London/Norwich Statistical Area and are therefore included in the area estimates. As a result, the sum of the area totals will not agree with the State totals.

(R) Revised

U.S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS

Base Period (1967 = 100)

	Feb. '88	Jan. '88	Feb. '87
All Items.....	347.4	346.7	334.4
Percent Change From.....	XXX	+ 0.2	+ 3.9

BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE CPI-The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure of the average change in prices over time in a fixed market basket of goods and services. It is based on prices of food, clothing, shelter, and fuels, transportation fares, charges for doctors' and dentists' services, drugs, and other goods and services that people buy for day to day living. Effective with the January 1978 index, the Bureau of Labor Statistics began publishing a new CPI for all Urban Consumers which covers approximately 80 percent of the total noninstitutional civilian population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage, such as professional, managerial and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, and retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI shown above represents U.S. city averages and is not seasonally adjusted.

THERE IS NO SEPARATE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR CONNECTICUT OR ANY AREA WITHIN THE STATE.

AREA NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK

Statistical Area	Feb.'88	Jan.'88	Feb.'87(R)	Percent Change to February 1988 from: Jan.'88	Feb.'87
BRIDGEPORT					
Total Nonag. Empl.	197,490	197,630	189,170	- 0.1	+ 4.4
Manufacturing	57,950	57,980	57,170	0.0	+ 1.4
Nonmanufacturing	139,540	139,650	132,000	- 0.1	+ 9.6
BRISTOL					
Total Nonag. Empl.	24,840	24,800	24,420	+ 0.2	+ 1.7
Manufacturing	7,390	7,300	8,180	+ 1.2	- 9.7
Nonmanufacturing	17,450	17,500	16,240	- 0.3	+ 7.5
DANBURY					
Total Nonag. Empl.	80,630	81,150	78,450	- 0.6	+ 2.8
Manufacturing	24,060	24,070	24,650	- 0.1	- 2.4
Nonmanufacturing	56,570	57,080	53,800	- 0.9	+ 5.1
DANIELSON					
Total Nonag. Empl.	22,830*	23,120*(R)	22,450	- 1.3	+ 1.7
Manufacturing	8,820*	9,060*	9,210	- 2.6	- 4.2
Nonmanufacturing	14,010	14,060(R)	13,240	- 0.4	+ 5.8
HARTFORD					
Total Nonag. Empl.	479,560*	481,870*	461,650*	- 0.5	+ 3.9
Manufacturing	93,510*	93,850*	90,440*	- 0.4	+ 3.4
Nonmanufacturing	386,050*	398,020	371,210	- 0.5	+ 4.0
MIDDLETOWN					
Total Nonag. Empl.	45,870	46,160	44,400	- 0.6	+ 3.3
Manufacturing	9,680	9,910	10,690	- 2.3	- 9.4
Nonmanufacturing	36,190	36,250	33,710	- 0.2	+ 7.4
LOWER RIVER					
Total Nonag. Empl.	14,350	14,400	13,950	- 0.3	+ 2.9
Manufacturing	4,570	4,580	4,870	- 0.2	- 6.2
Nonmanufacturing	9,780	9,820	9,080	- 0.4	+ 7.7
NEW BRITAIN					
Total Nonag. Empl.	65,520	65,510	63,990	0.0	+ 2.4
Manufacturing	20,790	20,870	21,180	- 0.4	- 1.8
Nonmanufacturing	44,730	44,640	42,810	+ 0.2	+ 4.5
NEW HAVEN					
Total Nonag. Empl.	249,870	250,290	241,760*	- 0.2	+ 3.4
Manufacturing	46,360	46,530	46,210*	- 0.4	+ 0.3
Nonmanufacturing	203,510	203,760	195,550	- 0.1	+ 4.1
NEW LONDON-NORWICH**					
Total Nonag. Empl.	116,340	117,270	113,400	- 0.8	+ 2.6
Manufacturing	33,830	34,210	35,120	- 1.1	- 3.7
Nonmanufacturing	82,510	83,060	78,280	- 0.7	+ 5.4
NORWALK					
Total Nonag. Empl.	72,620	73,190	70,690	- 0.8	+ 2.7
Manufacturing	19,950	19,850	20,180	+ 0.5	- 1.1
Nonmanufacturing	52,670	53,340	50,510	- 1.3	+ 4.3
STAMFORD					
Total Nonag. Empl.	126,350	127,170	122,120	- 0.6	+ 3.5
Manufacturing	23,820	23,930	24,080	- 0.5	- 1.1
Nonmanufacturing	102,530	103,240	98,040	- 0.7	+ 4.6